



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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For: USING A RECEIVER MODEL TO MULTIPLEX VARIABLE-RATE BIT STREAMS
HAVING TIME CONSTRAINTS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

The outstanding Final Office Action mailed May 20, 2005 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 18, 31, and 35 are amended. Claims 18-49 are now pending in the present application. In accordance with 37 U.S.C. §1.114, a Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this response to the Final Office Action so that the Final Office Action mailed May 20, 2005, is now effectively made non-final. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account No. 20-0778.